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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: DISTRIBUTING AND BALANCING  
TRAFFIC FLOW IN A VIRTUAL GATEWAY

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The reference identified in the attached PTO Form 1449 may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. This reference was cited in a corresponding EP application. A copy of the EP Office Action, which was dated January 7, 2008, is enclosed herewith as well. Applicants identify this reference in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make the identified reference of official record in this application.

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